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Title: BUMPER ARRANGEMENT

**Amendment**

MS Amendment  
The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed December 17, 2004, please amend the above captioned application as follows.

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